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DEA FOR EOI AND EOIL

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SUBJ: NARCOTICS ASSISTANCE

REF: STATE 58331 NOTEL

1. WE AGREE TO DEA INTELLIGENCE SPECIALIST TEAM PER TERMS OF REFERENCE IN PARA 4 REFTEL. AS TO TIMING, WE NOTE THAT SAIC GONZALEZ IS TRAVELING TO WASHINGTON SATURDAY, MARCH 13 AND WILL BE CARRYING WITH HIM FULL REPORT AND DETAILS ON KITCHEN FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH EOI AND EOIL. WE BELIEVE THIS INFORMATION WOULD BE USEFUL TO TEAM MEMBERS, AND WOULD PROVIDE INITIAL MATERIAL FOR BEGINNING THE STUDY, AND THAT TEAM SHOULD THEREFORE AWAIT THE ARRIVAL OF THE KITCHEN REPORT AND CONSULTATIONS WITH SAIC GONZALEZ. HENCE, WE SUGGEST THAT DATE OF DEPARTURE OF INTELLIGENCE SPECIALIST TEAM FOR BOGOTA BE WORKED OUT BY DEA HEADQUARTERS AND SAIC GONZALEZ. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING FROM REFTEL THAT TEAM WOULD CONSIST OF TWO TO THREE INTELLIGENCE SPECIALISTS. PLEASE CONFIRM.

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2. WE ALSO CONCUR IN THE PROGRAM PLANNING TEAM PER PARA 3 REF-

TEL. AS TO TIMING OF THAT VISIT, WE SUGGEST THAT THEY DO NOT ARRIVE BEFORE WEEK OF MARCH 29 SINCE BOTH AMBASSADOR AND SAIC GONZALEZ WILL BE OUT OF THE COUNTRY UNTIL THAT TIME. WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED SOONEST OF PROPOSED COMPOSITION OF TEAM.
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